

County of Los Angeles CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

713 KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION • LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012 (213) 974-1101

http://cao.co.la.ca.us

January 26, 2005

Board of Supervisors GLORIA MOLINA First District

YVONNE B. BURKE Second District

ZEV YAROSLAVSKY Third District

DON KNABE Fourth District

MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH Fifth District

From:

To:

Supervisor Gloria Molina, Chair Supervisor Yvonne B. Burke

Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky

Supervisor Don Knabe

Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich

David E. Janssen

Chief Administrative Officer

CITY OF GLENDALE TRAIN DERAILMENT

Two Metrolink trains and one Southern Pacific Freight train derailed in the Atwater Village area of the City of Glendale at 6:05 a.m. this morning. Over 100 injuries have been reported and the County Coroner has confirmed five fatalities. (Public safety personnel on the scene are reporting additional deaths, but we do not report deaths without Coroner confirmation.)

The County Emergency Operations Center (CEOC) has not been activated, but is monitoring the situation. The Terrorism Early Warning group has been contacted and is also monitoring the situation.

The City of Glendale activated their Emergency Operations Center at 8:45 a.m. to provide support and coordination to the scene and to serve as a call-in center for the relatives of the injured.

This report includes information from the following County departments: Coroner, Health Services, Mental Health, Fire, Sheriff, and the Chief Administrative Office/Office of **Emergency Management.**

Current Activities:

- The Coroner has five deaths officially reported and four additional unconfirmed Seven critically injured patients have been transported to the Los Angeles County University of Southern California Medical Center.
- The Department of Health Services' Medical Alert Center has been activated. Approximately 90 patients have been transported to local area hospitals.

Each Supervisor January 26, 2005 Page 2

- The Department of Mental Health has approximately 8 to 10 mental health professionals at the scene and is coordinating their response with the Los Angeles City Crisis Response Team.
- The Fire Department has a Mutual Aid Strike Team at the scene.
- The Sheriff's Department Operations Center has been activated and is monitoring the situation.

Questions regarding this report should be directed to Joyce Harris, Office of Emergency Management, at (323) 980-2267, or at joyceh@lacoeoc.org.

DEJ:CP JH:aec

c: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors
County Counsel
Emergency Management Council
Department Heads
EMC Steering Committee
EMC Subcommittee
Emergency Preparedness Deputies